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## A MOONSHINE FEUD.

**Frank Moon Pays Penalty for Acting as Guide on Chestnut Ridge.**

### WAS SHOT ON LAST THURSDAY

By Strange Man While Drinking in a Scottdale Bar—Died This Morning at the Cottage State Hospital—Deputy Collector Dixon's Statement.

Frank Moon, who was shot by an unknown man in the bar room of the Scottdale House at Scottdale last Thursday evening, died at the Cottage State Hospital this morning at 3.30 o'clock. Septic peritonitis caused his death. This afternoon a post mortem examination and inquest will be held by Coroner A. S. Hagan of Fairchance. The remains will be buried by friends.

With the death of Moon comes light on the mysterious circumstances which surround his murder. It is believed in police circles that he was killed by a moonshiner sent down from the mountains. This morning United States Deputy Collector W. J. Dixon of Uniontown was here, and said: "I believe it probable that Moon was shot by a man specially sent down from the mountain for the purpose. We revenue men do not tell the names of our guides; but I will say that three years ago, when Frank Campbell was United States Marshal, we had a guide who lived at Broad Ford. He had a long standing feud with the moonshiners and several times when excursions into the district were planned, he backed out at the last moment, fearful of his life. He has worked for us, off and on, for the past three years. He realized that his life was in danger. That's all I'll say about it."

On Thursday night, Moon, with some companions, was drinking in the bar of the Scottdale House. At the hospital Sunday he told the following story: "I had been drinking and chatting with my friends in the bar when a young looking stranger came in and walked the length of the room, evidently looking for some one. After a time he asked me to take a drink. He said all bar room whiskey was impure; that the mountain dew, made on Laurel Hill, was the only pure stuff. Talk rambled on, the subject of moonshine and moonshiners keeping prominent. I mentioned the name of a well known moonshiner several times, perhaps not in a complimentary way, and the stranger seemed to resent this. Then the talk lagged and my companion seemed to be thinking of something else. He suddenly pulled a revolver from his pocket and twirled it around his hand as if familiar with the weapon. 'That's a dangerous thing for a young fellow,' I remarked, and staring at me he answered 'I'm a moonshiner and we need protection.' Then he suddenly dropped the weapon to the level of my breast, and without a word, he fired."

The stranger said "Someone from the outside shot him through the window." The smoke of the shot was still wreathing in the room, but none contradicted his statement as they crowded around the wounded man. Then the stranger walked the length of the bar, out into the street and was gone.

Moon was hurried to the office of Dr. Rogers of Scottdale, who pronounced his wound fatal. Then he was brought to the Cottage hospital to die.

Frank Moon was a coke worker, 38 years old, a widower, who for some months past has lived near Broad Ford. He was born not far from Connellsville.

The man who shot Moon is described as small of stature, perhaps 28 years of age; wearing a light suit and a rough, slouch hat.

#### A Story of the Coal Mines.

We commence this week in The Daily Courier the publication of a new story by R. T. Willey, Editor of the Elizabeth Herald, entitled "Rob Ralston's Specimens." It is a story of the coal mines written by a man who has lived on the banks of the Monongahela in the Pittsburgh coal district all his life. The tale is well told and will be of special interest to our many readers engaged in or familiar with mining.

#### Salisbury's New Enterprise.

The Improvement Traction Engine Company is the name of a new concern recently incorporated with a capital of \$25,000 at Salisbury, Somerset county.

## HIGHWAYMEN FOILED.

South Connellsville Thugs Scared Off by Victim's Friends.

Saturday night James Grimsley, a lumberman of South Connellsville, was held up by two men near the yards of the South Connellsville Lumber Company. He was asked to deliver up his money, and when he refused was struck a heavy blow over the head with some blunt instrument. Knocked senseless, the thieves tried to secure \$375 in bills which was in Grimsley's inner pocket. They were scared away, however, after they had drawn a handkerchief and several other articles from Grimsley's pockets.

The senseless man was carried home and attended by Dr. H. F. Atkinson, who says he may suffer from concussion of the brain. This morning Grimsley was somewhat recovered. He surprised all by stating that he knew his assailants. Before Justice of the Peace Frank Miller a warrant was sworn out against D. B. and Grant Shoemaker, both of South Connellsville. The former is a business partner of Grimsley. Constable James Mitchell is looking for the alleged highwaymen. The Shoemakers worked with Grimsley, and the injured man states they knew he had a large sum of money in his possession at the time he was assaulted.

#### D. K. C. EXHIBIT.

Connellsville Artist Represented in the Schenley Parlor Collection.

Artists in Western and Central Pennsylvania are to-day interested in the annual exhibition of the Duquesne Ceramic Club, of Pittsburgh. This begins to-day in the parlors of the Hotel Schenley, Oakland, and the collection of art pieces will be open to the public view all week. Mrs. Ray E. Ruse, a member of the club and this town's representative in the world of ceramic study, will have some interesting results of her skill in the exhibit. She will send five pieces, a fruit study in still life, vase with conventionalized iris in natural colors on a dull gold background, two misfutures, one a likeness of little Miss Helen, Shutterly of California, Pa., and the other of Master Harold J. Ruse, and original plate decoration in a conventionalized morning glory design.

Mrs. Ruse has been a member of the Duquesne Ceramic Club for a number of years, and has been highly complimented for her pretty work.

#### DRANK POISON BY MISTAKE.

Mrs. L. V. Marshall Narrowly Escaped Death on Sunday.

Mrs. L. V. Marshall, No. 511 Johnston avenue, had a narrow escape from death Sunday afternoon by drinking virulent poison by mistake. During the absence of a servant she went into the kitchen, and taking a pitcher, which she thought contained cream, from the cupboard, took a deep draught. Instead of cream the pitcher contained a washing compound, containing a strong solution of lye and other ingredients, which had been placed there by the servant.

In a moment Mrs. Marshall was suffering intensely. Dr. M. B. Shupe was called, and after the use of a stomach pump Mrs. Marshall was relieved. Her condition to-day, however, is serious, as the poison left bad after-effects.

#### B. & O. Served with Injunction.

Part of the grading being done by Drake & Stratton for the Baltimore and Ohio railroad at Gibson was stopped Saturday by Sheriff Frook. A temporary injunction was secured by Connellsville township through Road Commissioner Jacob Pierce. The township alleges that the contractors are filling the Indian Creek public road at Gibson, and above that point with dirt excavated from other points to the detriment and inconvenience of the taxpayers. A hearing in the case has been set for Wednesday. The plans of the work at Gibson is going on to-day as usual.

#### Charged with Riot.

James Cunningham and George Dickson, both of Keister's works, near Seaford, in the southern end of the county, were lodged in jail at Uniontown Sunday on charges of riot and felonious shooting. During the progress of a celebration at Cunningham's home Mrs. Cunningham was shot and slightly wounded. A general fight was in progress at the time and just what did the shooting is unknown.

#### Sunday Newspaper Sales Legal.

The Washington county Grand Jury has decided that the crying of newspapers on the streets on Sunday is not an offense punishable by law, and is not calculated to disturb religious meetings.

## STRICKEN IN HIS HOME

**John Barge Died Suddenly This Morning at the Breakfast Table.**

### SKETCH OF HIS BUSY CAREER.

Served in Town Council, was a Bank Director and Trustee of the Christian Church—Funeral will be Held Wednesday.

John Barge, one of Connellsville's most respected citizens, died suddenly this morning at 7 o'clock, at his home on South Pittsburg street. His death was the result of a sudden attack of heart trouble with which he had been suffering more or less for a number of years. The news of his death came as a sudden shock, as he was widely known and had many friends.

A peculiar pathos surrounds the last few hours of his life. On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Barge planned a business trip to Derry, Westmoreland county, where Mr. Barge had recently disposed of a business interest. Sunday night he complained to Mrs. Barge of being tired and then said: "We will go to Derry to-morrow and settle up that affair, and then we'll take a long rest." His sudden talking away interfered with plans for an outing in the South which he and his wife have been making for some time past.

This morning he arose as usual, and was sitting at the breakfast table, when he suddenly pushed his chair back, and would have fallen had not Charles D. Schell, who was beside him, helped him to a couch. It is thought that he died instantly, for the efforts to restore him made by Dr. S. S. Stahl, who was hurriedly summoned from his nearby home, were fruitless. Angina pectoris, from which he suffered a number of attacks, finally claimed his life.

The funeral services, conducted by Rev. W. R. Warren of the Christian Church, will be held at the home, 408 South Pittsburg street, Wednesday afternoon, November 12th, at 3 P. M. Interment will be made in Hill Grove Cemetery.

John Barge was born in the little village of Moravia, Lawrence county, in 1837. Had he lived until December 22nd of this year, he would have been 65 years of age. He was the son of John and Catherine Barge, and was educated in the schools of his home town. When a young man he learned the trade of a boat carpenter, and for a number of years operated a boat yard on the old Beaver canal, then the great thoroughfare of commerce through Western Pennsylvania. He continued in this business until the canal was abandoned for more modern methods of travel, and then engaged in the lumber business. He operated a number of sawmills in Lawrence and adjoining counties. In 1881 he moved to New Castle, Lawrence county, where he continued in the lumber business until 1883, when he came to Connellsville. Here he engaged in the manufacture of mineral waters. Six years ago he sold his plant to Coughenour & Co. Since then he has been interested in the same work in Morgantown, Derry and other points, but a short time previous to his death he sold all his business interests and retired.

He was an upright man and a valued citizen. Early in life he joined the Christian Church, and was a Deacon and Trustee in the Connellsville church of that denomination. To him is due much of the credit for the building of the handsome church edifice on South Pittsburg street. He was enthusiastic when the building was planned, and entirely superintended its construction, being a contractor of skill and experience. He served in Town Council but he never took more than a passive interest in politics. For the past ten years he was a Director in the First National Bank of Connellsville. He was Chairman of the Riverside Manufacturing & Supply Company, Limited, and had other business connections in town. He was a charter member of the local lodge of the Improved Order of Heptasophos.

Forty years ago, October 15th, 1862, Mr. Barge married Miss Rachel Bain, then a school teacher of Pittsburg. To this union five children were born. His wife and two children survive him; Mrs. Elizabeth Porter and Mrs. C. D. Schell. The dead members of the family are Annie and Charles, who died when quite young, and the late Mrs. E. T. Norton. Mr. Barge also leaves one sister, Mrs. William Ague of Sewickly, Pa.

## TO STOP LADRONISM.

the Philippine Government Contemplates Aid from Government.

Manila, Nov. 10.—The government is adopting vigorous measures to suppress Ladroneism in the provinces of Cavite, Pinal and Bulacan. A zone embracing these provinces, and surrounding Manila, is the scene of constant petty and sometimes serious disorder. Several armed bands, some of them numbering 200 or 300 men, are operating in the described district and have committed various depredations. They find a safe refuge in the mountains. The plan of the government contemplates securing the assistance of the military, which has been inactive since the end of the insurrection. The extent of the army's participation in the work of suppression depends upon developments. It is probable that the military authorities will request the garrisons to protect the more important towns, while the constabulary conduct the field operations. It is thought that martial law in a modified form will be declared and the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus suspended in Cavite province, which has been the home of the Ladrone for ages.

Military control of Cavite province is not contemplated. It is intended that the military and civil authorities shall work in conjunction. The belief is held that advantage has been taken in some parts of the islands of the complete inactivity of the soldiers and it is thought that the use of the army by the civil authorities will have a beneficial effect.

The vigorous campaign against the Ladrone which has been conducted by volunteers in Bulacan province has resulted in driving many refugees bandits into Rizal, where the campaign is now opening. General Davis is co-operating with Governor Taft. He has strengthened the garrisons in Rizal and is supporting and assisting the native constabulary which is now afield. The operations in Cavite province will commence shortly.

#### LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From all Parts of the Town.

The variable weather has produced a large and enthusiastic crop of cobs.

Earle Miller of Carmichaels, Greene county, was the guest over Sunday of Claude Anderson, North Pittsburg street.

Misses Sarah Reuben, Mabel Stillwagon and Lillian Stillwagon go to Uniontown to-morrow to attend an evening party at the home of their friend, Mrs. Wolfe.

Dr. L. P. McCormick is now the surgeon on duty at the Cottage State Hospital. He had just returned from the tour of duty of the Tenth Regiment in the anthracite region when his term of service began. He is being kept busy by the large number of patients in the wards of the hospital.

Elmer Shaw, a palmer employed on the new Colonial Theatre, South Pittsburg street, missed his footing and fell from the third story shortly before noon to-day. He was picked up unconscious and hurried to the Cottage State Hospital, where it was found that he had a fractured skull. His condition is serious.

A distillers' license was granted at Uniontown Saturday to Clair Stillwagon, Marcus Mariotta and George B. Snyder. At the same time, a transfer was asked for the license to the Connellsville Distilling Company, Clair Stillwagon having sold his interest to his brother, Lathuer Stillwagon. At the time the first application was made the concern was not incorporated, and the recent incorporation made the transfer of license necessary.

#### Pittsburg Y. M. C. A.

Pittsburg, Nov. 10.—The thirty-sixth anniversary of the Young Men's Christian association of this city was celebrated in the First Presbyterian church last night. The large church was filled to overflowing with an audience interested in the local organization's work. The Rev. Sylvester F. Seovel, of Wooster university, delivered the annual address. Vice President William T. Lyon read the annual report of the association, which contained encouraging facts.

#### Sagasta Cabinet Resigns.

Madrid, Nov. 10.—Premier Sagasta to-day tendered King Alfonso the resignations of the entire Spanish Cabinet. The King will decide to-morrow whether or not he will accept them. The Cortes has been informed of the resignation of the Cabinet and to-day suspended its sitting until the organization of another Cabinet or the King's refusal to accept to-day's resignations.

## BOOKS FOR LIBRARY.

**Trustees Saturday Authorized \$3,000 for the First Installment.**

### BOARD WANTS SUGGESTIONS.

Architect to Let Contracts for Completion of the Building Which Contractor Nixon Negotiated—Old Tenement condemned.

The Board of Trustees of the Carnegie Free Library met in the banking rooms of the Title & Trust Company Friday afternoon and among other things directed the Library Committee to spend not exceeding \$3,000 for the purchase of the first installment of new books for the Library. The Committee, which is composed of Captain Edmund Dunn, H. P. Snyder, L. F. Ruth and A. D. Solsson, will with the assistance of President J. C. McClenahan and Librarian Day, tackle the important question this week. They invite suggestions from the public.

Communications from Architect McCollum were read showing that he had notified Contractor J. A. Nixon over a month ago to finish the building, calling his attention specifically to the things yet to be done under his contract; that the contractor had paid no attention to the notice and that in consequence the architect had, on Thursday last, notified the contractor that the work would be completed at his expense. Architect McCollum will be here this week and will let contracts for the completion of the building. This unfinished work consists of electrical wiring and fixtures, plastering, plumbing, drainage and marble work.

The Building Committee were directed to have the wood floors cleaned, filled and varnished and to have the basement windows, broken through carelessness of George Schommer, the contractor for cementing the basement, replaced and to deduct the cost from Schommer's bill, amounting to \$311.28, after which deduction the bill was ordered paid.

The old tenant house formerly belonging to Dr. G. W. Newcomer, but acquired by the Board of Trustees through condemnation proceedings, was sold to P. Bufano for \$200, provided he pays the cash down and removes the building within 30 days.

#### A BIG CONTRACT.

Bernard O'Connor Successful Bidder for Wabash Railroad Work.

Bernard O'Connor, the New Haven contractor, has been awarded a construction contract on the main line of the Wabash railroad near McDonald, Washington county, Pa., that will take six months to complete. For the work he has purchased a 45-ton Vulcan steam shovel outfit, and the big earth remover will be on the ground in a few days. This purchase includes dump cars, dinky engines and a complete outfit for extensive excavation work. About 50 men will be employed with the shovel, and a number of other gangs may be employed to hurry the work to completion. More than 100,000 cubic yards of earth will be removed in the grading.

This contract will not, however, interfere with the extensive contracts of O'Connor in the coke region. He will shortly begin his big paving contract in Dunbar, where a mile of street paving, besides a large amount of walling, curbing and sidewalk paving is to be done. O'Connor will shortly establish a central office in Connellsville.

#### New Labor Union.

The Electrical Wire Workers' Union of Connellsville has been organized and 23 members have applied for a charter. The new union will include the linemen and wire workers of the telegraph, telephone and street railway systems, as well as local electrical contractors and their workmen. The field of the union is large, owing to the scattered state of the workers. All wiremen east of Pittsburg on the line of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad will be identified with the union that will have headquarters in Connellsville. The Union will be identified with the Central Trades Council of Connellsville, and will be affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

#### Barn Burners at Work.

An acre of barn-burning near Canonsburg has greatly excited the farmers, three barns having been destroyed within the past week.

## THE 57TH CONGRESS

Will be Composed of 54 Republicans, 32 Democrats  
One Silverite.

### VACANCIES IN THE SENATE.

Nine Filled November 4th by Special Election—Faces of Some Old Legislators Will be Missing While Others Out of Politics Appear Again.

When the Fifty-seventh Congress meets the United States Senate will be composed of 54 Republicans, 32 Democrats, 1 Silverite and Mr. Wellington of Maryland with two vacancies, the Republicans having a majority of 20 over all. The terms of 30 Senators expire next March, and with the two vacancies from Delaware and the unexpired term of Senator McMillan of Michigan, to be filled the number to be elected is 33. Eighteen of these, including Mr. Alger, who fills the vacancy from Michigan by appointment only, are Republicans, and thirteen, including Mr. Wellington, are Democrats or affiliated therewith. Four Senators, Messrs. Allison of Iowa, Foraker of Ohio and Dillingham of Vermont, Republicans, and McNary of Louisiana, Democrat, have already been elected to succeed themselves. Arthur P. Gorman, formerly the Democratic leader of the Senate, has been chosen by the Maryland Legislature in place of Wellington, and ex-Governor James B. McCreary of Kentucky, a Democrat, has been named as the successor of Senator Deboe, Republican. As determined by the primary elections, former Governor James P. Clarke of Arkansas, is to replace Senator James K. Jones, the Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, Representative Aubrey C. Latham is to succeed Senator McLaurin of South Carolina, and Senators Clay of Georgia and Pettus of Alabama, Democrats, are to succeed themselves. The new Legislature in Oregon, although Republican, will not return Senator Simon, as he was beaten in the primary elections. Messrs. Vest of Missouri and Jones of Nevada will voluntarily resign from the Senate at the expiration of their present terms. Former Governor William Joel Stone, at times known as "Gum-shoe Bill," the Democratic boss of Missouri, will probably succeed Mr. Vest, and Representative Newlands, the erstwhile Republican, subsequently a Silverite and now a Democrat, whose slogan is "Irrigation," has the endorsement of his party convention for Jones' seat.

Representative A. J. Hopkins defeated Senator William E. Mason in the Illinois Republican convention as the Republican nominee for the Senate; former Secretary of War Russell A. Alger has the endorsement of the Michigan Republicans for the unexpired term of the late Senator James McMillan. Senator Fairbanks is the choice of the Indiana Republicans as his own successor, and Locke Craig that of the North Carolina Democrats to succeed Peter B. Fitchard, Republican. Senators Platt of New York, Spooner of Wisconsin, Platt of Connecticut, Perkins of California, Penrose of Pennsylvania, Gallinger of New Hampshire, Hansbrough of North Dakota and Kittredge of South Dakota, Republicans, Teller of Colorado, Silverite, and Mallory of Florida, Democrat, will, it is thought, succeed themselves. Senator Turner of Washington, Fusionist-Democrat, will likely be displaced by former Senator John L. Wilson, Republican, and Senator Harris, Democrat, by one of the Republican Representatives from Kansas.

The number of vacancies in the Fifty-seventh Congress which were filled by special elections last week was unusual. They totaled up a total of nine, of which six were caused by deaths, two by resignations and one was declared vacant by vote of the House. The members who died during the recess were Messrs. Poik of the Sixteenth Pennsylvania district, Cummings of the Tenth New York, Sheppard of the Fourth and DeGraffenreid of the Third Texas and Otey of the Sixth Virginia, Democrats, and Russell of the Third Connecticut, Republican. Six other vacancies in this Congress caused by death had previously been filled by special elections. They were those of Crump in the Tenth Michigan district, whose successor was Representative Alphin; Shaw of the Twenty-fourth New York, succeeded by Knapp; Brosius of the Tenth Pennsylvania, succeeded by Cassell; Salmon of the Fourth New Jersey, replaced by the election of Flanagan; Stokes of the Seventh South Carolina, succeeded by Lever, and Burke of the Sixth Texas, whose successor was Wooten. The resignation of Nicholas Muller, Democrat, from the Sixth New York district, brought about the election of Montague Lessler, Republican.

Special elections were also held

last week in the Twenty-sixth New York district, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Representative Ray, and in the Sixth Massachusetts district to choose a successor to Representative Moody, who resigned to take up the naval portfolio, and in the Twelfth Missouri district, where the seat of Representative Butler was declared vacant owing to fraud. Nearly all the nominees for these short terms have also been named for the long term, and owing to the numbers of some of the districts being changed by the reapportionment, the unique situation is presented where a man is elected in two districts at the same time.

### COMPANY D'S PAY.

Checks for Anthracite-Strike Duty to be Issued To-night.

The members of Company D will assemble at the Armory this evening at 8 o'clock, to receive pay for tour duty in the anthracite region. As provided by previous orders the pay of members will be withheld until a complete return of State property has been made. In addition each member will be required to brush uniforms and overcoats, hanging same on hooks provided in lockers; folding wool blankets and ponchos neatly and placing same on shelves; haversacks to be cleaned; blanket bags to be strapped and placed on top of lockers, and in general, all property to be carefully cleaned and packed. Blue shirts and wool blankets will be laundered out of allowance fund before being reissued. State shoes issued at Shamokin are included in the property that must be returned in clean and serviceable condition.

In absence of the Captain the issue of pay and checking of property returned will be in charge of Lieutenant Buttermore, Quartermaster Sergeant, Company Clerk and such other details as may be necessary. Members who are not yet of age must present written order from parents for delivery of pay to them.

The men in the ranks will receive from \$81 for the First Sergeant to \$44 for the privates for their 25 days service. Corporals get about \$43, while the Duty Sergeant gets in the neighborhood of \$70. The officers get from \$97 to \$125, the Captain receiving the latter amount. The total amount of the Company's pay is \$2,582, a check for which amount was forwarded to Captain Gans last week by Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart. Out of this amount \$40 is to be deducted from seven privates' pay in fines ranging from \$2 to \$15. These men were up before the Summary Court for minor offenses. The fines go back to the State Treasurer. First Sergeant Robert M. Boyer, Corporal G.W. Calhoun and Private Andrew Calhoun all get a service allowance of \$6.25 for re-enlistment in the Guard. All three of these men are also veterans of the Campaign campaign of the Tenth.

### Somerset's Prosperity.

No better evidence of the general prosperity of Somerset county can be cited than the fact that the Sheriff of the county has not a single real estate sale to make before regular December term of court, the Herald says. This is the first time since the close of the Civil War that such a state of affairs has existed in this county and it reflects the great prosperity being enjoyed by our people.

### Cottage Avenue Repaired.

The injured miner, racked with the wound-pains of a cruel slate fall, now has a smoother roadway from the trains to the Cottage State Hospital. Cottage avenue has been covered with a heavy layer of ashes.

### LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From all Parts of the Town.

Wear Norris & Hooper's shoes. Thanksgiving is two weeks from Thursday.

Millinery and ladies' coats at a saving of one-third at The Fair.

Judge R. E. Umbel was in Connellsville Saturday. He was on his way East.

Swellest coats in town at lowest cost. See the Monte Carlo coats at The Fair.

Apples are so plentiful this fall that it is no longer any fun for the small boy to steal them in the country.

One thing about the election that pleased every one was the way the election prophets were put out of business.

No escapes have been recorded from the new borough lockup. The man that breaks out of there will earn his fame.

Charles Warnock, Superintendent of the Leisenring No. 2 works of the Frick company, stopped off here between trains Saturday.

The freight blockade on the Pittsburgh and Connellsville Divisions of the B. & O. railroad has not been as bad the past ten days as it was prior to that time.

E. A. Humphries, the Scottdale coke operator, was in town Saturday afternoon. He is interested with some Connellsville capitalists in a coal field in West Virginia. A new mine is to be opened and coke ovens are to be built next spring.

Chicago University is to take in Rush Medical College conditional upon the raising of \$1,000,000 by the Trustees of Rush. James W. Harper, formerly of Connellsville, is Registrar of Rush, and his brother, Dr. J. C. Harper, is President of Chicago University.

Travel is extensively mountainward these autumn days. Every wait for a mountain train at the Baltimore & Ohio depot sees a party or so of hunters, with their cased guns and hunting dogs. Returning sportsmen say there is only fair shooting in the Pennsylvania and West Virginia game reserves.

P. H. Pendleton is making preparations to sail for Colombia, South America, within a few days. He is interested there in a banana plantation with some Connellsville and Greensburg persons. He will likely go by rail to New Orleans and from there by steamer. Mr. Pendleton will be gone several months.

If Bernard O'Connor would mount a few coast defending guns on that new fortification that faces the Dare Devil Yough in the rear of his pretty residence in New Haven, the prospect would intimidate the first steamers that pass up the Yough when that slackwater bill goes through Congress. The masonry has all the appearance of a fort, although O'Connor's only enemy is the high water stages of the mountain river.

History repeats itself. Fresh in your minds, and you don't have to be very old, is the great distance that South Side lots were considered from Connellsville. They are the most desirable and valuable properties sought after to-day. So will the East End acre gardens enhance in value before you are much older. Don't think for one moment because you can buy one acre for \$100, \$200, or \$300 it is valueless. That is where you are making a great mistake. Get one of these places. It's bound to become as valuable as South Side properties are to-day. Call at company's office, No. 291 West Main street. See the plan and we will take you over the property. Jos. A. Mason, Agent.

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## NEW B. &amp; O. SCHEDULE

Will go into effect on the  
Connellsville Division  
November 23rd.

## SOME OF THE CHANGES MADE.

There will be Two No 46s Which Will  
be Earlier but the Mountain Accommodation Has been Abolished—  
Time of Other Trains

The fall and winter schedule on the Connellsville and Pittsburg Divisions of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad will go into effect on November 23rd. A sample schedule of the Connellsville Division seen yesterday shows that trains Nos 13 and 16 will be taken off. Trains Nos 46 and 17 will be run in two sections from and to Newark. No 46 is scheduled to leave Connellsville at 2:45 P. M. over half an hour earlier than at present. No 47 will leave here at 7:05 P. M. her time now being 6:45. No 5 will leave at 6:05 P. M. practically the same time as now. No 47 will leave here at 1:05, about 20 minutes later than on the present schedule. No 9 will leave Connellsville at 5 A. M. a little later than now, and the Duquesne at 7:35, the present schedule. Eastbound No 14, No 6 and No 10 will not be changed. No 12 the eastbound Duquesne will leave at 8:05 P. M. On the Fairmont branch there will be few changes most of them being only a few minutes except No 2 which on the new schedule will leave Connellsville for Morgantown at 4:05 P. M. The time of the Weston train is unchanged as are the ones leaving first for Uniontown and Leckrone in the morning and coming north in the afternoon at 7:27. The evening train from Fairmont No 51, is due here at 5:30, ten minutes later than now.

The last proofs of the new schedule were corrected yesterday and sent to Pittsburg for completion. The new schedule will be out in good time and the trainmen are pleased with the arrangement of both the slow and fast trains. It is interesting to see the methods employed in arranging the trains for a new schedule. Great charts are spread on frames in the Superintendent's office. On these fine treads run from the top to the bottom and plus deftly driven on fine lines, designate the time of the trains

at various points and their passing points along the line. The slant of the trains represent their rate of speed. The Duquesne string darts down the chart almost vertically while those of the slow lights wander across the intricate map at long angles.

Superintendent J. P. Irwin of the Connellsville Division of the Baltimore & Ohio, was busy working on the new schedule when asked by a reporter for The Day Courier about the report published concerning his rumored resignation. He said: "I know nothing of any kind. I do not know where the information came from."

When No 10 pulled into the Baltimore & Ohio station Saturday night what would have been a serious accident was averted by the quick stop made by the express engineer. No 10 reported on time, was running five minutes late. Engine No 1703 was pulling over from the eastbound to the west and track when the express engine No 1513 sidwiped her. The light engine was scraped from end to end and badly damaged. One cylinder of the last train locomotive was put out of commission. No engine was available here for a relay however and the express proceeded to Cumberland with a one sided engine and some badly scraped cars. The passengers were jostled a little in their bunks by the sudden stop but no one was injured.

The Baltimore & Ohio will issue a new book of rules governing train and yard crews. General Superintendent L. G. Haas, C. Fitzgerald and T. J. Foley have been appointed a committee to revise the rules. The new book will be issued January 1st. The change was made necessary on account of the absorption of several systems during the past year. In the present book there is a lack of uniformity. Mr. Haas said recently in speaking of the work, that no radical changes would be made and that the committee would closely follow the standard set by the American Railway Association.

Work on the new roundhouse and shops of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at Glenwood has been postponed indefinitely by Baltimore & Ohio officials. An official of the road said that the plans had not passed the approval of the general officers and as a result a new set would have to be prepared. This will also delay the work at Denham. This announcement is unfortunate at this time, when all facilities are sorely needed by the Baltimore & Ohio in this district.

Reports completed last week show that the Pressed Steel Car Company built and shipped during the month of October 2,000 cars. This breaks all

previous records for output the average for the 17 working days of the month being 111 cars per day. The daily average for the past four months was 107 cars. So far this year the company has turned out 22,102 cars which is made up in trains of 50 cars each would make 442 trains. There were consumed in the erection of these cars 170,000 tons of steel. In addition to the cars the company turned out many thousands of underframes, 131 wooden cars, steel trucks, holsters, miscellaneous car parts etc. The cars turned out last month were mostly for the Pennsylvania railroad and are part of the 10,000 ordered several months ago.

## DUNBAR TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS

Diphtheria in the Leisenring District  
Curtains Attendance

The regular monthly meeting of the Dunbar township School Board was held Saturday in the Trans-Allegheny Hotel Water street. The teachers were paid their monthly salary, the checks aggregating \$2,765. Teachers from Leisenring and Monroch schools report considerable diphtheria which has spread during the past week. The patients and other members of their families are kept at home by the school regulations and attendance at the schools in that vicinity has been seriously affected. Many of the cases, however, are now convalescent and it is hoped the disease will soon entirely disappear.

In the afternoon a business meeting was to have been held by the Board at which a number of outstanding bills were to have been paid, but not enough were present to constitute a quorum and no business was transacted. The Board will not meet again until December.

P & L E Excursion to Chicago  
Account of the third annual live stock exposition the Pittsburg & Lake Erie railroad will sell excursion tickets from all points on its lines to Chicago and return at the rate of one fare plus \$2 for the round trip. Tickets will be sold December 1st, 2nd and 3rd good returning to December 7th inclusive by deposit of ticket and payment of fee of 25 cents for tickets. Time tables sleeping and parlor car reservations apply to local agent Pittsburg & Lake Erie railroad or address L. A. Robinson General Passenger Agent, Pittsburg Pa.

Morgantown Methodists to Build  
The Morgantown Methodist Episcopal congregation has accepted the plans of the architect for its new church to be built next spring. The edifice will cost \$50,000 and will seat upwards of 1,000 people.

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From all  
Parts of the Town

Real estate is active  
American Beauty corset at  
The Fair

Most persons will tell you that Norris & Hoopers is the best place to buy shoes.

Monte Carlo costs the swiftest things out. Save your money by buying them at The Fair.

Among the jurors drawn for the December adjourned term of court which meets Monday, January 19th, 1903 are the following from Connellsville and vicinity: Samuel Atkinson, Worth Balsley, Smith Halfhill, Solomon Kerns, William Snyder, Samuel Clark, Thomas Duncan, James Grimes, John Munster and I. C. Shaw.

E. D. Turner, formerly one of Connellsville's most enterprising business men and now a student at the West Virginia University, Morgantown, spent Sunday in Connellsville. Mr. Turner who has interests here, is very enthusiastic about the prospects of Connellsville. Everywhere I go he said I hear people remark about the great progress of Connellsville as a manufacturing town and railroad center.

The improvements in the church of the Methodist Episcopal congregation Apple street will be much more extensive than was at first planned. It has been decided by the official board of the church to place the hot air system with a steam heating plant. Some other downtown churches are in need of the same improvement and the matter of having a central plant with mains to heat several buildings is now under advisement. Services will probably be suspended at least one Sunday while the decorators and other workmen are at work in the Methodist Episcopal edifice.

Coach Yost who has made a reputation as wide as the country in football circles played his first game away from the University of West Virginia in Connellsville against the Greensburg professional team about eight years ago. Greensburg was brought over to Connellsville and University of West Virginia came here in a special car to meet them. Greensburg won 20 to 0. J. Donald Porter at that time was also a member of the University eleven years ago, coached Ohio Wesleyan, Kansas University, Leland Stanford, Nebraska University and University of Michigan to championship honors since that time. The latter team won from Wisconsin at Chicago two weeks ago. Leland 25,000 people.

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**TYPHOID AT GIBSON.**

**Health Officer Pierce Has an Explanation for Its Prevalence.**

**THIRTEEN CASES ARE REPORTED.**

Strain of Decayed Vegetable Matter is at Bottom of All the Drinking Wells Sunk in That Community, Says Franklin Pierce.

For many years Gibson and South Connellville have been known as a veritable hotbed of typhoid fever. Graveyards have thrived under the relentless ravages of this disease, which appears in the flats beyond the South Side in most malignant form. Bad sanitary conditions were thought to be the cause of the contagion. A year ago the township School Board, which is the acting Board of Health in rural districts, took up the matter of the township's health. Franklin Pierce was elected Health Officer with full power to act in giving Gibson and South Connellville a complete cleaning up. The Health Officer did not neglect his work. A Health Officer must have no scruples and no conscience, and Pierce laid both aside in the performance of his duty. He made enemies galore, but he gave the township the best renovation it ever had.

Then it was very discouraging to see fever break out on all sides this fall. A week ago 13 cases were reported, all serious, but, so far, none fatal. The new breaking out of the disease made Gibson health conditions a serious problem, but now Pierce thinks he has discovered the cause. Many wells have been dug over the flat, which has no water system. The average depth of the wells is 30 feet, and at the bottom of each, where the water is encountered, a most peculiar formation is found. For a depth of six feet there is a strata of decayed and decaying vegetable matter. Rotten logs, fragments of pine cones, and the general refuse of a mountain forest can be seen. Pierce, who is somewhat of a student of geology, says that the flat was covered with this sediment when the river was still above the limestone ledge, before its waters washed out the deep channel where the stream flows to-day. He thinks Gibson formed a big, placid eddy of the river, and that since that time the wash from the mountain side has covered the debris to its present depth.

"The decaying matter is a reservoir for the surface water of Gibson," he says, "and the fifth, made more filthy by the new water, is an ideal breeding place for disease germs. Until Gibson has a complete water system we cannot hope for any abatement from the bad health conditions."

**BALL PLAYER SHOT.**

Harry Allemang Mortally Wounded at Mason, W. Va., by Burglars.

Cleveland, O., Nov. 10.—A special to the Plain Dealer from Pomeroy, O., says:

Harry Allemang, a ball player, who pitched in the Southern league this season and who has signed with Cincinnati for the coming year, was shot and mortally wounded at Mason, W. Va., his home, early yesterday morning. Allemang had been out with friends and was returning home at 3 o'clock. He found burglars at work in the postoffice. A sentry on the outside ordered Allemang to halt. No attention was paid to the command, and the sentry fired on Allemang, the bullet entering his back and lodging in the left lung. Physicians state that the wound is fatal. When Allemang had fallen to the ground the robbers took \$38 from him.

**To Build Coke Ovens.**

Youngstown, O., Nov. 10.—Six thousand acres of coal land has been purchased, 12 miles from Morgantown, W. Va., jointly by the Youngstown Iron Sheet and Tube company and Pickands, Mather & Co., of Cleveland. The erection of coke ovens will be commenced to supply the three furnaces of the local company and those of the Cleveland firm.

**To Remodel Nail Plant.**

Findlay, O., Nov. 10.—W. H. Hoogland, of the Findlay Iron and Steel company, is at the head of a new company, which has purchased the abandoned plant of the Slame wire nail mill in this city. The buildings will be remodeled and be made the home of a new concern, that will give employment to 200 skilled laborers.

**Three Men Drowned.**

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 10.—A special to the Free Press from Alpena, Mich., says: Three men were drowned in Whitefish bay yesterday by the capsizing of a sailboat. The dead are George Millard, aged 40 years; Alex Cyr, aged 16 years, and Anthony Monor, aged 17 years. The boat capsized over a sand bar.

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL.**

Live News Notes Gathered From all Parts of the Town.

Frosty nights and foggy days. The most beautiful line of millinery at The Fair.

You will not be disappointed in Norris & Hooper's shoes.

Follow the crowd and buy your millinery at the Fair.

The man behind the ballot does not always vote as he talks.

The real estate market continues brisk, owing doubtless to the fine fall weather.

J. J. Barnhart, Chief Clerk in the Frick company offices at Scottsdale, spent part of Saturday in town.

Mrs. D. Roberts and granddaughter, Miss Jean Roberts Snyder, of New Castle, arrived here Saturday evening and will remain until Thursday with M. P. Snyder.

R. W. Singer spent part of last week at the home of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Singer, Peach street. Robert is a student at Princeton and is manager of the Varsity base ball team.

Frank Zanchi's quarries above Connellville are running full time with as large a force of men as can work in them. The Baltimore & Ohio company are securing most of their heavy stone for the construction work here from the Zanchi quarries.

Trains on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad were delayed for several hours this morning by the breaking of a journal on a freight car, which blocked the tracks at Point Marion for a considerable time. No. 1, from Morgantown, was several hours late here. This afternoon trains on the branch are running as usual.

Charles Kapp, a negro employed at Frank Zanchi's stone quarries, met with a bad accident Saturday. He was trying to manage a vicious horse when he fell, and a big iron spike penetrated his foot, making an ugly wound. The injury has affected Kapp in a peculiar manner, and his condition is serious. Dr. M. B. Shupe is attending him.

There is certainly in the chances for recovery of Engineer George D. Inghram, who was injured in the wreck of fast freight No. 97 on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at Meyersdale a week ago. He has a broken leg that will keep him at the hospital for some weeks, but the internal injuries, that were at first supposed to be serious, have proven to be of no consequence.

A game of foot ball was scheduled Saturday between the New Haven foot ball team and the Dawson eleven. Owing to a misunderstanding, however, the game was called off and the New Haven boys did not go down. They are open for games with any team of their weight in the cokes region, and have so far a good record on which to base their claim to the championship of the county.

Leo Ward, who was challenged for a boxing contest with Guy Brahm, the Main street restaurant man, who is known in fistie circles as "Montana Kid," did not show up Saturday to sign articles at Bufano's barber shop. He sent word, however, that he will accept the challenge, and will come to Connellville some day this week to make final arrangement. The proposed fight will take place in the Auditorium, at Scottsdale, Providence and the police willing.

A Southwest Pennsylvania conductor and engineer were fined \$5 and costs at Uniontown recently for blocking a crossing 17 minutes. So far as Connellville is concerned the Southwest trainmen have not learned any lesson by their Uniontown experience. The safety gates that were promised several months ago by the Pennsylvania company are still among the improvements promised the town, though the need of their being placed at three or four crossings is daily more apparent.

Make hay while the sun shines is an old saying. Take advantage of our liberal offer while you can get it. Don't wait for any other real estate company to offer you anything like we are offering you for they never will. We are the only people in the business who offer you an acre instead of a small lot to build your home on. Connellville Real Estate Company, No. 201 West Main street. Five minutes street car ride. Come and see us. Acre places, two acres, three acres. Any amount you want on easy terms that will suit you. Jos. A. Mason, Agent.

Complaint has been made to Chief of Police Barthold Rottler about the unnecessary noise that the Sunday newsboys make selling their papers. The papers come in just as people are on their way to church, and the town authorities have decided that the practice must stop. Sunday morning Chief Rottler put a quietus to the newsboys' hilarity. The boys do not take kindly to the municipal restrictions.

Allen E. Harbaugh of Mill Run, our friend and Mill Run correspondent, has read The Courier from its first issue down to date. The Courier is the household word, the first thing grasped and read among all other papers, the poet-philosopher says. The advent of The Daily Courier he hails with delight and satisfaction.

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## At The Door.

Just as you come in the store there's a table filled with Dress Goods that you cannot afford to pass by. One reason for having it there is to show you how hard this store tries to serve you—how well we do it, to show you how much goodness and how much prettiness can be bought for \$1.00 the yard. Goods here in this showing that are worth much more than this price—leave it for you to say how much. Some of them are full 56 inches wide heavy skirtings, that you'd never expect to buy for less than \$1.50 the yard. We will sample these to you if you desire it, but remember you must not delay too long. There's not a duplicate among these pieces.

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Black with White Polka Dot and Navy with White Polka Dot. \$15.50

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## HYNDMAN ON COKE.

An Interesting Paper Read Before Pittsburg Foundrymen's Association.

### OLD PREJUDICES OVERCOME.

At One Time Consumers Wanted Coke Only from the Very Heart of the Region—Other Grades Are Now Accepted.

The Pittsburg Foundrymen's Association held a meeting on Monday, November 3rd, at the rooms of the Engineers' Society of Western Pennsylvania. The subject under discussion was "Coke." Papers on the topic were read by N. P. Hyndman, Sales Agent for the Washington Coal & Coke Company, and Charles H. Stroh, of the American Locomotive Works, while S. D. Sleeth, of the Westinghouse Air Brake Company, talked interestingly. Mr. Sleeth spoke briefly of his experience with cokes high in sulphur, and said that they had produced soft castings successfully with coke running as high as 1.65 and 1.71 in sulphur, despite the fact that most foundrymen insist on holding their sulphur down to .65 and .75. He said that his success with this high sulphur coke no doubt was due to the large amount of limestone used in the flux, which took up the greater portion of the objectionable sulphur. He further cited an experience with light coke which is out of the ordinary. It ran as high as .88 in fixed carbon, 10 and 11 in ash, and about .85 in sulphur, and did not require as much coke in weight, the bulk being the same, to produce a given amount of castings as the heavier coke. Analyses of coke taken from the bottom, center and top of the ovens, showed very little difference, although it is the general impression among the trade that coke taken from the center is much more desirable than coke taken either from the top or bottom.

The question of 72-hour coke was discussed at length. Mr. Howard Hooker, of Rogers, Brown & Co., stated that it is an absolute necessity, owing to labor conditions, for the coke manufacturers to produce this kind of coke over Sunday, and it was suggested that possibly this was considered the best coke on account of the conscientious scruples of the coke workers in refusing to draw the ovens on Sunday, which is the case in the Connellsville region. The discussion waxed warm, and none of the foundrymen present were absolutely certain that they could recognize 72-hour coke, although insisting on its delivery for their foundry use. G. P. Maury, of the Metallurgical Laboratory, stated that he attempted to secure a sample of 72-hour coke for the purpose of making an analysis of the same, but found it almost impossible to secure it for the reason that none of the foundrymen in Pittsburg were certain that they had any on hand.

Mr. Hyndman's paper in part was as follows: "I doubt if there is any commodity used in foundry practice that is just at this time giving you more concern than coke. The centralization of the iron and steel interests has brought about a consolidation of coke interests, the result of which is that the large producers of iron and steel are the owners of their own coke works. This ownership is the manipulation of years, the buying up of coking plants and undeveloped land, until now we find the great Steel Corporation so much in possession, and their requirements of coke so large, that they have announced to the general foundry trade, through their coke department, the necessity of withdrawing their present production of foundry coke after this year. This is the reason, I say, that the matter of coke supply is no doubt causing some of you much anxiety. You perhaps have had a regular source of supply for years of a quality that suited your work, and you must now look elsewhere and enter the experimental period again. The development of coke production has been so extensive in the last few years that I do not think you need fear any trouble in securing the quantity you want. In fact there are now about 3,000 ovens under construction, or contemplated, in this State, and most of these in the Pittsburg and Connellsville regions.

"About the year 1835 our esteemed fellow citizen, Mr. H. C. Frick, the largest producer of Connellsville coke, commenced to buy out his competitors, and continued doing so until he had secured a large part of the developed properties and coking coal land in the region. The result of his action is the extensive coke supply of the United States Steel Corporation today. Within the last five years a large addition has been made to the number of coke works in Fayette and Westmoreland counties, Pennsylvania, by the large consumers and new investors. These developments are principally in the Klondike or Lower

Connellsville district. Some of them have become the property of the United States Steel Corporation, while a number of other plants there are operated by individuals. Increased developments have also been made in the Greensburg and Latrobe districts.

"Quality is the most interesting part of the subject to you, no doubt. Previous to ten years ago the consumers demanded coke made in the Connellsville region between Mt. Pleasant and Uniontown, as they considered that the heart of the region, and thought only there could coke of satisfactory structure, hardness and chemical analysis be found. They insisted sulphur should be .75, or not to exceed .85. Even in that section of the coke region the producer tried to impress you with the fact that the deeper the coal the better the coke. This may be true, but it did not prevent the drift mine producer from selling his coke at all times and in the same markets.

"The development of coking coal lands adjoining the field above described was afterwards commenced, and coke from the north end of the Connellsville region and the Greensburg field was accepted with favor. The quality of coal seemed to be satisfactory for coking except that the sulphur in some of it was higher than the trade would accept. This, however, was corrected by the coal washing process. The lower end of the Connellsville field, south of Uniontown, produced a coke that was said to be wanting in strength, but this impression is not held to-day.

"The next field to come into prominence was the Masontown field in Fayette county, now called the Klondike of Lower Connellsville. Previous to five years ago no effort had been made by the farmers to sell these lands, but about that time some Pittsburg capitalists, anticipating an increased demand for coke, invested largely in this field, and it is to-day a beehive of activity in coke production. Two trunk line railroads enter the field, with additional railroad facilities to be provided. This coke is being shipped all over the country and used for all purposes. The quality is good. The same condition exists there as in all other coke territory, viz., that you may find some coal with sulphur a little higher than desired. This, however, if continuous, may be corrected with a washer. No washers, however, are in use there now.

"I now want to speak of the quality of coke in general. The demands on shippers for sulphur of .75 to .85 have not been continued during the last few years. We find the foundry consumers are as willing to accept coke with 1 per cent. sulphur as they were to accept .75. Whether the former demand was based on prejudice, or that you have introduced such methods in your foundry practice as will enable you to use higher sulphur, I do not know. The foundry coke shipper and his customer sometimes get into a controversy about quality of coke, judging from its appearance, and the objectionable feature may be nothing more than black tops. I have been asked to go miles to see such coke, with the expectation on the part of the buyer that I will acknowledge it inferior, and almost pay him to keep it. The fact is the coke was hard, thoroughly burned and in every way first class. The discoloration is the result of overheating of the oven, which melts the coke too suddenly, forming a crust over the top, which prevents the gases from escaping. These decompose and leave a deposit of lamp black in cells of forming coke. The result is 'black tops.' We also have in the manufacture of coke 'black butts,' which we acknowledge are objectionable, owing to the fact that coke is not thoroughly burned, therefore soft. This coke is found at the base of the oven, due principally to insufficient heat in that part of the oven, and this may be caused by dampness in the earth on which the oven is built, or from exposure of the empty oven before charging.

"It is surprising the number of people interested in the consumption of coke, living remote from the coking coal fields, who are ignorant of its mode of manufacture. You have had this subject presented to you very intelligently through the writings of your esteemed associate, Thomas D. West, and through the coke expert, John Fulton. I assume, however, that a concise explanation of the process in this paper would not be amiss. The style of oven principally used in this country is the beehive type. The by-product type is being introduced, but the preference in America to date seems to be for the beehive oven. These remarks therefore, refer only to the latter. They are built in solid rows of any number consistent with the character of the surface of the ground. They may be bank ovens, single row built against a hill, or block ovens, double row on open ground. The coal is carried to them in larries holding enough coal to charge the oven, and running on a track built on top of the row of ovens. The coal is charged from the larry into the ovens through a hole in the top. The process of applying the heat is where we find many people mystified, or laboring under a wrong impression. When the oven is new the

heat is applied by burning wood until the bricks get thoroughly hot. The oven is then charged with coal and ignited. The burning is from the top of the oven to the base. When the coke is ready to draw, the door in front of the oven is opened, and the cooling process started. This is done by quenching with water through a hose pipe manipulated by the drawer. When cool enough, to handle the drawer pulls the coke out on the yard with a large iron scraper, finishing the quenching outside, as too much water permitted in the oven would tend to reduce the heat. As soon as possible after the oven is emptied it is recharged from the larry, with the same quantity of coal as before, and the burning process commences instantly from the heat of the oven. This continues during the entire period the oven is in operation.

"Coke is burned 48 to 72 hours, 48 hours because a certain quantity of coal will burn in a certain sized oven that length of time with best results to produce the highest quality of coke for blast furnace use. The 72-hour coke, being burned longer, is harder, and consequently of better quality, and is specially adapted to foundry practice.

"The abnormal trade conditions existing to-day between the coke seller and buyer, as to price, are causing much anxiety as to the future. Those of you who have contracts and are being regularly supplied probably do not realize the condition I refer to. Owing to the anthracite strike, and the inability of the railroads to move the coke promptly, a great scarcity has existed throughout the country, with the result that prices ranging from \$8 to \$14 per ton at ovens have been freely paid for foundry coke for spot shipment, in quantities ranging from 1 to 100 cars. Never in the history of this country has such a state of affairs existed before. Normal conditions would now soon apply if the railroads could promptly move the coke produced. I predict that with better railroad facilities, together with the increased production of coke, the consumer can expect prices that will more nearly conform to the prices of iron."

### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Issued Last Week by the Register at Uniontown.

Thomas Griffin and Janie Borris, both of Trotter.

Joseph Yales and Anna Hall, both of Leisenring.

Harry E. Golden and Emma A. Liston, both of Dunbar.

Harry C. McLaughlin and Effie M. Oliver, both of Uniontown.

W. B. Phillips of Smitfield and Elizabeth C. Spiteman of Uniontown.

Clark H. Johnson of Pittsburg and Ada B. Rush of Uniontown.

Henry E. Fetkenbour and Sadie M. Lee, both of Perry.

Henry F. Brown of Freed and Mary Miller of Acme.

John Seese of Searights and Mary Kate Hubbard of Upper Middletown.

George W. Miller and Gertrude Jacobs, both of Uniontown.

Wilson Bosley of Connellsville and Emma G. Henderson of Lower Tyrone.

Arthur H. Whitford and Lillian R. Kennedy, both of Dunbar.

William Dean and Anna Cramer, both of Beesons.

### Death of a Bright Little Boy.

On the death of Frank D., son of Ida L. and the late D. S. Fornwalt, who died at Mars, Pa., October 9th, 1902, the *Connellsville Mailer* prints the following: "Many hearts were saddened last Thursday evening by the announcement of the death of little Frank, the 5-year old son of Mrs. Ida Fornwalt. Although less than a year has passed since he first lived in our midst, little Frank, by his sweet and sunny temper and quaint, artless manners had endeared himself to very many of our people, and his widowed mother has the sympathy of everyone in this, her noble affliction. Mrs. Fornwalt, accompanied by her daughter and a party of friends, left on Saturday afternoon for Connellsville to lay the loved body of her only son by the side of his father, who died at that place less than a year ago."



### NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Items of Interest From Near-By Points Bolled Down for Hasty Reading.

The new Unity Evangelical Church at Manor was dedicated Sunday.

A gang of robbers has been operating in and around West Newton.

The Washington Observer of Washington, Pa., will erect a new home.

Washington, Pa.'s oldest building, erected 150 years ago, was burned on Friday.

Edna Paul, aged 14, attempted suicide at West Newton, by drinking wood alcohol.

The Fayette County Gas Company last week drilled in another big well on the A. L. Morris farm.

The Westminster Presbyterian Church of Burgettstown has called the Rev. J. M. Travis of Allegheny as pastor.

George Kissel, who made his home with Mrs. Campbell and family near Greensburg, dropped dead in the field Wednesday.

Joseph Lash of the vicinity of West Newton, raised 1,200 bushels of potatoes this season and sold them at 50 cents a bushel.

William Metelzer of Altoona has sued the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for \$1,000,000 for alleged discrimination in freight rates.

Mrs. J. C. Frazer, wife of a Morgantown lawyer, who made a trip to Columbus, O., on horseback, a distance of 275 miles, has returned home.

Frank Wall, a Monessen carpenter, had his right ear almost torn off and was otherwise severely hurt the other day by falling a distance of 30 feet.

The postoffice at Mendon, South Huntingdon township, has been discontinued and the patrons will be supplied by rural free delivery from Ruffsdale.

The old St. Thomas Church on the Brownsville pike, near Charleroi, may be re-established. It was the first Episcopal Church established west of the Alleghenies, being built in 1777.

W. K. Egner of the vicinity of Rectort, Ligonier township, Westmoreland county, has found two drift coal veins on his farm, one a three foot vein and lower down a four foot vein.

The concrete work on Lock and Dam No. 13 is finished. The T. A. Gillespie Company of Pittsburg are the contractors. The lock is the first one on the Monongahela river above Morgantown.

Thanksgiving P. & L. E. Rates.

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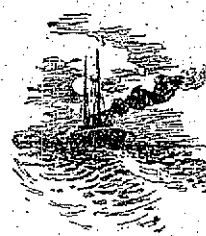
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# ROB RALSTON'S SPECIMENS.

A STORY OF THE COAL MINES.

By R. T. WILEY.

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## CHAPTER I.

### Light in the Darkness.

Rob Ralston was very happy. To be sure he was only a coal miner boy, and even then was seated on a heap of slaty refuse in the black depths of a coal mine, far down in the earth. His knees were drawn up nearly to his chin, and the little sputtering lamp on his greasy cap but half revealed his grimy hands, face and clothing.

Amid these accompaniments of daily grating toil one would scarcely have looked for perfect happiness, and if you, reader, knew of the humble home life of Rob, with its few of the things so enticing to a bright boy in his early teens, you might—well, of course you would be too polite to doubt my word, but you would be likely to have some curiosity about the matter.

But you do not know Rob as well as you will if your patience proves as long as this narrative, and I beg that for the present you will be content to accept my assurance of his perfect delight right there in the midst of the dirt and grime and toil and darkness of the mine, on trust. I will reward your courtesy by telling you all about it in due time.

All of Rob's life had been passed in the little village of Ellis, in the heart of one of the most prolific coal-mining regions of Pennsylvania. His father was an honest, hard-working miner; he owned the little cottage in which they lived, nestling just at the edge of the village, at the foot of the towering mountain, and overlooking the curving river whose rippling eddies sang Rob to sleep every night.

There had been sickness in the family, and two little wax-like forms had been laid away in the quiet churchyard, beyond the village. This had kept back the payments on the little home, and it was only after a great struggle and many privations that Thomas Ralston had been able one night to bring home a deed for the little place, and tuck it into the bag of the sweet-faced, patient little woman who so nobly shared in the toils and privations necessary to get it.

"Well, wife, it's ours now, an' I reckon we kin branch out a little," said the honest fellow, with a pardonable pride, as he looked around on the little domicile, now for the first time really their own. The children were in bed, and the good humor of Mr. Ralston bubbled over into many plans for their happiness.

"You, Mandy, shell hev a new frock very next pay. An' Rob, he kin get that paper from New York that he has been talking about. Cur'us, though, ain't it, how that boy thinks more of readin' an' studyin' than anything else 'cept huntin' specimens? But he's a scholar, Rob is. An' Tom, he shell hev shoes, an' Boss an' the twins—you jest think up somethin' for them, Mandy," said Mr. Ralston, quite out of breath with his rapid talk. For he was a man of few words, and had been moved on this occasion by his good feelings and generous impulses to a speech of unusual length for him.

Mrs. Ralston nodded assent with a quiet smile, as she stroked out the creases in the stiff and formidable-looking document headed "This Indenture."

Then they both sat looking into the fire for some time without speaking. Finally Mrs. Ralston broke the silence.

"Tom, you were saying a while ago that Rob is a scholar."

"He ar, too," replied Mr. Ralston.

"Didn't he go to school down to the village every winter from he was six?" "N, this spring, when he was thirteen, an' old enough to go to work in the mine? Didn't he get a party book fer hev'n the highest gen'rl av'rage at the end, an' didn't he spell down all Tuckertown, includin' the lawyer an' the person, when they kem over to spell agin Ellis?"

This was another very long speech for Mr. Ralston, and his wife smiled, partly in his earnest eloquence, and partly in recollection of the proud achievements of their first born.

Presently she spoke up again:

"Rob's got a notion that he would like to go to the academy."

Her husband looked up in quick surprise, but Mrs. Ralston continued:

"Not that he has complained, for Rob is a good boy, and says he knows his place is with you in the mine and that he isn't going to fret for what can't be had. But ever since he went with you over to Tuckertown that time there has been something on his mind. He didn't want to tell me what it was at first, but finally confessed

that he had seen the big academy building, and the boys going in with great stacks of books, and thought he would like to go there, if we were only able. I don't suppose it would be possible, but if we could manage to get a little together and send him, after a while, it would be a great thing for Rob."

Mr. Ralston did not speak for some time, but sat looking thoughtfully at the ceiling. He felt conscious of surprise that he should at all consider this matter, which seemed so clearly an impossibility, yet he found himself already trying to devise ways of accomplishing what the words of his wife suggested. But evidently the effort gave no bright promise of success, for he leaned a deep and long sigh, and then, after another long pause, said:

"I don't see how it can be done, wife, much as I would like to do it. Rob's a good boy, an' a smart 'un too. But I need im; things goes chipper like in the mine, an' you'd hardly believe what a help he is. Tom's not twelve yet, an' it'll be nigh two years afore he kin go in. Then here's these hard times, an' some of the men's talkin' 'bout strikin'."

"That'll make trouble if they do, 'cause they're shuttin' down work wherever an advance is demanded, an' ain't no use to try it, nohow. It ain't seem as if it could be done, wife, though p'raps when times brighten up a little an' Tom gets big enough to go in, it might be done, on a pinch. Tom never did care for looks like Rob, anyhow, an'—well, we'll talk about it agin, Mandy."

This was probably the longest speech ever made by Mr. Ralston in the whole course of his life up to that time, and the exhaustion of his delivery evidently was too much for him, for he got up abruptly at its conclusion, and went to bed.

Mrs. Ralston busied herself for some time with those little duties which wind up the day with every faithful mother. Personal inspection of every little bed was necessary, and sundry tuckings in and kissing had to be attended to.

She was a pretty little woman, and always had an air of refinement, which her humble surroundings failed wholly to obscure. It manifested itself always in her neat attire, and that of her children. She had been the village school teacher, and great was the wonder when she married the rough, uncouth miner, Thomas Ralston. But she saw the diamond beneath the rough exterior, and knew that an honest heart beat there. As for Ralston, he never quite got rid of the idea, imbibed when her bright eyes first captivated him, that she was a being of superior order to ordinary humanity.

The next day after the conversation detailed above was Saturday, and according to an established custom among the miners, they came forth from the mine at noon for a half holiday.

After washing and donning his best attire, Rob started forth to execute a commission for his father at the office of the superintendent of the mine. It was with reference to some truck lying needed in his "working," and after getting instructions from his father, he started forth, whistling as he went.

He was wholly unconscious of the conversation of the night before concerning him, but he found himself thinking of the academy. He whistled sturdily and walked rapidly, determined not to indulge in any hard thoughts against the fate which seemingly had placed this much desired object so far beyond his reach.

He had to pass through the village and past the black, yawning mouth of the mine to reach the superintendent's office. He found young Philip, the book-keeper, busily engaged at writing in the outer office.

"Is Mr. Sarvis in?" asked Rob, returning at the same time Philip's brief nod.

"In his private office—engaged—not pretty soon—sit down," said Philip, much as a cleverly constructed automaton would have said it, and without raising his eyes or missing a stroke of his pen.

Rob knew his ways, knew that he was busy, and was not at all discouraged at this address. He sat down.

## CHAPTER II.

### Under a Shadow.

Rob had not long to wait, for soon the door leading into the cosy little inner office was opened, and two gentlemen came out, talking and shaking hands as they came. One of them Rob instantly recognized as the su-

perintendent, but the other was a stranger to him.

"Now, Sarvis," the strange gentleman was saying, "you will not forget about the flora, and particularly the *Pecopteris stollata*. As I told you there is only one known specimen and that a mere fragment. The fact that it came from your mine encourages me to hope that I may be able to duplicate it here. It was only by chance, seemingly, that it got into the hands of people capable of appreciating its rarity, and consequently its value. I will pay well for any like fragments, and will give two hundred dollars for a perfect impression of the whole frond in good condition. There are some other specimens besides that I need to complete my collection, and am willing to pay well for. Speak to your men about it and have them bring such specimens to the office as they find them. When I get home I will send you a list of what I particularly desire, and you can retain for me any of the varieties named that may be turned in. If you are not familiar with the various leaf and stalk forms, the State Geological Reports will enlighten you. You have them, of course. But, good-bye; I must be off."

"Good-bye. But let me introduce you to my book-keeper before you go. He will probably have to look after your specimens to some extent, for he takes great interest in such things when at leisure, and has charge here in my absence. Mr. Philip, this is Mr. Comley, the new inspector of the district."

"How do you do, sir—glad to know you—nice day—be glad to serve you—good-bye," said Philip, shaking hands with the inspector, and returning to his books at once, while the other took his departure.

"Young Ralston's there—wants to see you, sir," said Philip, without looking up.

Mr. Sarvis now for the first time noticed the boy, standing respectfully in the background, with his cap in his hand.

"Well, my boy, what is it?" he asked kindly.

Rob briefly stated the nature of his errand and the superintendent made a memorandum of it, saying he would have it attended to. But Rob was thinking more about what he had just heard. For reasons best known to himself, it filled him with the liveliest emotions. He did not want to appear to have been eavesdropping, but then did not the inspector say to mention it to the workmen? Thus he reasoned, and the superintendent was turning to re-enter his private office, when Rob, surmounting all his courage, said, with a trace of excitement in his voice:

"Pardon me, sir, I couldn't help hearing what the gentleman said. I have some specimens, and I thought perhaps some of them might be such as he would want."

"What? Specimens of coal flora?" inquired the superintendent.

"Yes, sir. Mr. James, the minister, lent me a book which told me about the way the coal was formed long ago—how the beautiful ferns and vines grew up in the swamps and then fell down in the water, were covered over and buried deep, and after a long time were turned to coal; and how the impressions of their leaves and sticks are often found yet in the shale for the coal. That interested me and set me to looking for them, and I have some real beauties."

"Well, Rob, bring them around and we'll see. Perhaps you have something that Mr. Comley would want. He is an enthusiastic geologist and is wealthy. He accepted this position rather for the opportunities it would give him of pursuing the study of his favorite science than from any need of the salary it pays."

Mr. Sarvis was again turning to go, but there was yet one thing more that Rob wanted to know, and, emboldened by the kindly manner of the superintendent, he said:

"Please, sir, could you tell me what the *Pec-Pec*—"

"*Pecopteris stollata*," said the superintendent, smiling.

"Yes, sir, what is it like?"

"Well, really, Rob," said Mr. Sarvis, again smiling, "there is but a single specimen known, as you have heard, and I confess that I am not familiar with it, but the name would seem to indicate a star-like fern. The late 'Report of the Geological Survey' will probably give it. I must return to my letters. Philip, get down Report P and see if you can find *Pecopteris stollata* for the lad." Then, seeming to be struck with another idea, he continued: "Would you take good care of the book if I allowed you to take it home with you for a few days? You seem to be interested in the subject, and that will tell you all about it."

"Oh, yes, sir; thank you, sir," said Rob eagerly.

Mr. Sarvis withdrew, and Philip went to a tall bookcase, ran his finger along a row of solemn-looking books in black cloth binding, finally stopping at one and taking it out. He opened it, glanced over the index and muttered:

"*Pecopteris stollata*, page 260."

He then wrapped it in a newspaper, noted the page on the margin of this and handed it to Rob, and without the loss of another moment, resumed his writing.

Rob thanked him warmly, and, bidding him good day, started briskly for home, filled with brightest anticipations of the delights which the treasure under his arm was to unfold to him.

He had some really beautiful specimens of coal flora, and never tired of looking at the delicate tracery of the leaf outlines, the lace-like meshes of stems and veins and the tangled vines and tendrils in others.

He soon reached home, and after reporting Mr. Sarvis' reply to his father, he passed up to his own little room under the rafters to examine the treasure without interruption.

He turned at once to page 260, and here is what he found:

"*PECOPTERIS STELLATA*. Pl. XVIII, Fig. 7.

"Fragment of a pinna, pinnately divided; segments oblique, linear, alternate obtuse or subtruncate at the apex, decurring to the main rachis or the midrib, bordered by a broad wing undulate on the borders; primary and secondary veins pinnately branching; ultimate divisions simple, oblique, alternate, slightly arched, each bearing at the apex a round six-stellate sporangium, placed on the slightly recurved borders.

"The small fragment figured represents all that is known of this species. The main lamina of the pinna formed by the base of the decurring segments, is five millimeters broad; part of the segments about three millimeters; the main nerve or partial rachis is thin, as are also its divisions. The substance of the fern is somewhat thick, the fragments showing the under surface with borders a little reflexed. The sort are formed of six round sporangia around a broad central flat surface. Though this species is far different in its facies from most of the *Pecopteris*, the fructifications are of the same type as those of *Asterocarpus*. The segments have a likeness also to those of *P. cristata*."

Poor Rob waded through a lot of this, and then stopped, with his brain in a whirl. What did it all mean? He did not understand the meaning of much more than half of the words, and the two paragraphs were as unintelligible to him as if written in Chaldean.

He turned to the index. Yes that

"Pennsylvania Second Geological Survey," Report P, page 260.

was the page. Then he turned over the leaves in hope of finding parts that he could read and understand, but this only increased his confusion, for what he had read was but a sample of the whole book. He could gain no light from it.

He felt certain that few, if any, of the words which puzzled him were in the little well-worn spelling book that he used at school, and from which the words were given out when he glumly spelled down Tuckertown. Yet the language for the most part seemed to be English.

Poor Rob felt with a keener pang than ever before what heights of knowledge lay beyond the few common branches taught in the village school, and felt new desires to drink at those higher fountains. Could Mr. Sarvis have thought him capable of reading and understanding that work and getting from the description of *Pecopteris stollata* there given a correct idea of that fossil plant?

Suddenly a thought struck him like a stinging blow. He had been the victim of a cruel joke, and would be made a laughing stock! Rob was naturally of a shy, sensitive nature, and this thought hurt keenly. But, on second thought, he could not bring himself fully to believe it. Mr. Sarvis had always been so kind to him, and as for Philip—he almost smiled at the bare idea of the solemn and methodical young man engaging in a practical joke.

It must be some mistake, reasoned Rob, always generously ready to provide excuses for others. But it was a bitter disappointment to him. He had expected to revel in the delights of that book and here it was to him like the riddles of the Sphinx. The book which the minister had lent him was a small work, written in simple language and popular style, and dealing in general terms on the coal formations. It had been only sufficient to intensify his desire for something entering more into the particulars.

Rob sat for a long time with his chin on his hands, looking out on the river, until the shadow of the mountain had dropped, like a great curtain, over the fields beyond, and a whiplow will far up the height began issuing his cruel command.

Rob was a very unhappy boy.

[To be Continued.]

Decision Withheld.

The decisions of the Westmoreland county court on the contract for the \$1,000,000 court house was to have been handed down by the judges of the Common Pleas Court Saturday morning but upon motion of the attorneys interested the hearing of the exceptions to the award to Caldwell & Drake of Columbus, Ind., was postponed until next Saturday.

Lineman Electrocutted.

William L. Bradley, a young Greensburg lineman, was killed Friday. While working on a pole his hand came in contact with a live wire

## Railroad Time Tables.



### PITTSBURG DIVISION AND BRANCHES.

On and after May 18th, 1902, passenger trains will leave Connettsville for Chicago via Pittsburg and Akron without change. Express 12:50 and 6:00 p. m. daily.

For Cincinnati, St. Louis and Louisville via Pittsburg, week days 4:45 a. m. and 9:00 p. m. daily. For Pittsburg, week days 4:45 a. m. and 9:00 p. m. daily. For Cincinnati, week days 4:45 a. m. and 9:00 p. m. daily. For St. Louis, week days 4:45 a. m. and 9:00 p. m. daily. For Louisville, week days 4:45 a. m. and 9:00 p. m. daily.

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For Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Boston and all points in the East, Express, daily, 4:45 a. m., 8:10 a. m. and 10:55 p. m.

For Connettsville and Krug, 8:30 a. m., except Sunday.

For Johnstown and points on the S. & C. Branch, week days 4:45 a. m. and 9:00 p. m. daily. For Berlin, week days 4:45 a. m. and 9:00 p. m. daily.

For Cumberland, Daily Express, trains, 4:45 a. m., 8:10 a. m. and 10:55 p. m. daily. For New York, Boston and all points in the East, Express, daily, 4:45 a. m., 8:10 a. m. and 10:55 p. m.

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If you want to secure through tickets, reach Pullman car agents for information concerning time of trains and connections, call at the Baltimore & Ohio Depot, Connettsville, Pa. If L. H. GILBERT, Ticket Agent, and J. B. MARTIN, Gen. Pass. Traffic.

### PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

(Southwest Branch)

On and after June 15th, 1902, trains will arrive and depart as follows:

Southward.—For Danbury, Redstone Junction and Uniontown, 3:15, 10:52 a. m., 3:40 and 6:45 p. m.

For Fairbault, 10:52 a. m., 3:50 and 6:45 p. m.

Northward.—For Scottsdale and Greensburg and all points on the main line, 7:22, 9:50 a. m., 8:05 and 6:54 p. m.

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Lesses Pittsburg, McKeesport & Youngstown Railroad, Connettsville, Pa. Daily Central Standard Time, in effect Sunday June 15th, 1902.

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## DOUBLE TRACK OPEN

Stretch on B. & O. Between  
Ohioyle and Confluence  
is Now in Use.

### A STORE AT URSINA ROBBED.

Confluence's New Bank Building Com-  
pleted—Sheep Dogs Caught in Cor-  
ral and Killed—News from Town on  
Yough and Casselman.

Confluence, Nov. 10th.—The double  
track between here and Ohioyle on  
the Baltimore & Ohio railroad was  
completed last Monday. Between  
here and Sipe's entirely new road was  
cut. The old siding between Sipe's  
and Ohioyle was replaced with new  
ties and rails. At the Confluence sta-  
tion, the telegraph office was moved  
from the top of the station to the east  
end of bridge No. 42 at Confluence.  
Five new tracks have been put in the  
yard, and another one east of the sta-  
tion. The new station is situated be-  
tween the new tracks and the main  
tracks. This will be a frame building,  
two stories high. On the first floor  
will be the freight rooms, and on the  
second floor will be the Western Union  
telegraph office, express office,  
ladies' and gentlemen's waiting rooms  
and toilet rooms. The building will  
be heated with steam and lighted  
with electricity.

The fine new bank building of the  
Confluence National Bank is fast near-  
ing completion and will be ready for  
occupancy on January 1st. The new  
structure, which is situated on the  
corner of Hughart street and Latrobe  
avenue, is of two stories, brick and  
colonial style, making a handsome ad-  
dition to Confluence's business dis-  
trict. The corner room of the first  
floor is being elegantly fitted with  
modern fixtures and burglar and fire  
proof safe and vault. The upper floor  
will be fitted out for living and office  
purposes. The bank was organized  
about two years ago with D. L. Miller  
as Cashier, under whose management  
the institution has been very success-  
ful.

The store of Samuel Olcott at Ur-  
sina was burglarized November 8th.  
The thieves gained entrance to the  
building by breaking a large glass  
out of one of the doors. The cash  
drawer was pried open and the con-  
tents amounting to several dollars  
taken. A number of articles such as  
shoes, clothing, etc., were also taken.  
About midnight two boys passing the  
store saw a light and two strangers  
behind the counter. At the side of  
the store stood a team of horses and  
a light wagon, and it is thought that  
only for this timely discovery a larger  
amount of goods would have been  
taken. Fresh tracks, supposed to have  
been made by the burglars' rig, were  
traced for several miles but were then  
lost. It is likely that this is the same  
gang that looted the stores of G. W.  
Campbell of Normalville and H. L.  
Sparks of Indian Head.

Herman Clouse, aged 58 years, died  
at the Mercy Hospital, Pitsburg,  
Thursday, November 6th, death re-  
sulting from an operation performed  
for an abscess on the liver. Clouse  
was a leading citizen of Confluence,  
widely known and highly respected,  
and the news of his death came as  
a great shock to the community. A  
widow and two married daughters,  
viz: Mrs. William Oliver, Mrs. Ed-  
ward Brown, and four sons, Walter,  
Frank, William and Russell, survive  
him. The funeral was held Sunday,  
November 9th, at 2:30 P. M. from his  
late residence on Latrobe avenue, and  
was largely attended. The interment  
was at Sterner's Cemetery.

Hiram Prantz, a farmer near Con-  
fluence, caught two of his neighbors  
dogs in his sheep corral last week.  
He succeeded in killing one. Prantz  
first noticed sheep missing last Wed-  
nesday, when he found three gone.  
Thursday morning he was notified  
by one of his neighbors that dogs were  
in among the sheep. He seized his  
rifle and went to the corral and  
succeeded in disposing of one of the  
dogs, but the other escaped.

J. E. McNutt of this place, owner  
of the McNutt Hardware Company,  
has sold out his business to Wm. H.  
Howell. Howell intends to greatly en-  
large the business. McNutt is one of  
the oldest business men in Confluence,  
having been a merchant here about  
20 years.

Bruce Tresselt of this place and  
Miss Ada Weaver were united in mar-  
riage at Addison on November 6th.  
Miss Weaver was for a long time clerk  
in the store of Crable & Hawke. She  
was very popular with the young  
people of Confluence and vicinity, and  
they all wish her a long and happy  
wedded life.

Hagan Yeagley went hunting an al-  
ternoon last week and killed nine rab-  
bits.

Workmen are cleaning the street in  
front of the new bank building.

Miss Elizabeth Orr of Markleton was  
a visitor of Mrs E. Pancoast last week.

# Congratulations to The Courier AND TO OURSELVES.

Nobody will deny the fact that the appearance of the second Daily News-  
paper is an important Markstone in the history of a successfully growing town,  
and Connellsville people are perfectly entitled to be congratulated too, the more  
so, as we know this paper already by its weekly issues. Everybody is aware now-  
adays of the advantages that a good newspaper is to the city in which it appears.  
Especially the business man will highly appreciate it as a new medium of coming  
in contact with the public, and consequently as another way of successful adver-  
tising. We realize to a full extent, the wonderful results of honest and truthful  
advertising, and as our new-born Daily Courier will doubtlessly procure us new  
advantages and new results we don't think it too immodest if we also address some  
hearty congratulations to Ourselves.



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have been offered to our New York buyer at a price far below manu-  
facturer's cost. We instructed him to buy them at once as we thought  
it a good chance to secure for our patrons an extraordinary and up-to-  
date bargain. These Coats come in 22 and 27 inches, tight and half-fit-  
ting back, silk, satin or Mercerized linings, well cut and carefully tail-  
ored. They would positively be bargains at double the price. We  
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erate prices.

